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Mattapoisett Land Trust Eyes Property

A new strategic effort to increase the protected lands of Mattapoisett where it will do the most good was public this week by the Mattapoisett Land Trust.

The proposal is designed to preserve land adjoining current trust holdings, or other protected space, in order to leverage the environmental and recreational benefits that can be achieved.

The first stage of the plan has been undertaken with the signing of an option to purchase 59.55 acres of land in the Aucoot area for $300,000.

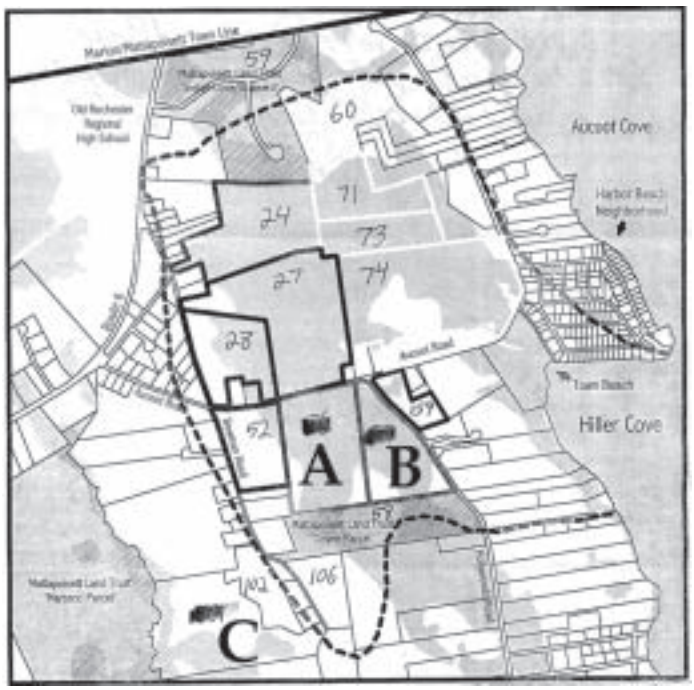
"The success of the plan and its final scope will depend on the cooperation of land owners and the financial support of the general public," said Mattapoisett Land Trust President Gary Johnson.

The nearly 60 acres under agreement is made up of the so-called Boardman property. It comprises three parcels fronting on Aucoot Road, Hollywoods Road, and Bowman Road. All three abut property previously given to the Land Trust.

One parcel of 14.8 acres fronts on Aucoot and Hollywoods Roads. Eight homes were planned for that site. A second parcel of 20.5 acres fronts on Aucoot Road and at one time was the planned site for a cellular phone tower. Both of these parcels abut the Coyne Preserve, a 17-acre piece given to the Mattapoisett Land Trust some years ago and running between Hollywoods and Bowman Roads.

The third Boardman parcel constitutes 24.8 acres. It has a bit of frontage on Bowman Road and abuts the 96-acre Trust property donated by Ruth Hiller Martocci. That extensive piece reaches from Route 6, across from the Quaker Meeting House, to the area of Crescent Beach.

The three Boardman parcels have been valued at $600,000 by an independent appraiser. Negotiations between the Land Trust and Charles "Skip" Boardman resulted in a reduced price of $300,000 — or $5,000 an acre.



Above: *Three parcels of land (labeled A, B and C on this map) totaling some 59.55 acres and collectively known as "the Boardman property" is at the top of the Mattapoisett Land Trust's wish list. The parcels, which abut land already owned by the Land Trust, is available for the asking price of $300,000 and the non-profit group is hoping to raise the money in short order to meet a mid-September deadline. (Map courtesy of Brad Hathaway).*

On the cover: *This "bad to the bone" 1958 Plymouth Fury — the car which Stephen King made infamous in his novel* Christine *and director John Carpenter literally brought to life in the film of the same name — was just one of the many classic cars in the Plumb Corner Mall parking lot in Rochester this past week. The classic car gathering, sponsored by Towne Pizza, takes place every Monday evening during the summer in Rochester center and is replete with food, fun and fifties music. (Photo by Kenneth J. Souza).*

Left: *Cape Cod author Anne LeClaire, whose latest novel,* The Law of Bound Hearts, *takes place in and around Marion (which is called "Sippican" in the book) will be at The Bookstall in Marion on Saturday, August 14 from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon to sign copies of the publication. (Photo by and courtesy of Jennifer Eldredge Stello).*

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"There are several reasons why the new Land Trust efforts and the current acquisition are important steps in preserving the rural character of eastern Mattapoisett," Mr. Johnson said. "First, larger preserved tracts of land contribute significantly more to environmental protection than do many small holdings by permitting more biological diversity and more air and water purification. One 100-acre lot does more good than 100 one-acre lots.

"Secondly, the larger tracts will permit the Land Trust to offer more recreational uses; for example, the creation of longer trails that could be used for walking and nature exploration.

"Finally, this acquisition, in particular, will help insure good water quality in Buzzards Bay, as two of the Boardman parcels are in the Hiller Cove watershed which empties into a town beach. The third Boardman piece is in the Pine Island Cove watershed."

Mattapoisett Land Trust's Board of Directors has noted that in the face of urban sprawl enveloping many parts of SouthCoast communities, time is of the essence in shifting control of marginal land from that of private interests and potential developers to a conservation organization.

Because the option on the Boardman land must be exercised by mid-September, the Mattapoisett Land Trust has begun a public fund-raising effort for $300,000.

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those who have the most to gain from the land acquisition, it is hoped that summer and year-round Mattapoisett residents, as well as businesses throughout the region, will offer financial support.

Donations — large and small — including gifts of appreciated securities, may be made to the Mattapoisett Land Trust, Inc., P.O. Box 31, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. All donations are tax-deductible.

Land owners in the conservation areas are invited to contact Mattapoisett Land Trust officers to discuss their role in the overall success of the plan. For more information, please call 508-758-3579.

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Then and Now

Mattapoisett Town Public Beach

By Virginia Morgan

Then

There seems to be some unknown facts as to how the town beach acquired its original name in 1887: Durfee Beach. There was a William Edward Durfee who had a blacksmith shop on Pearl Street near the water, but no record if he donated land or donated funds for the purpose of a public beach.

In 1886 the town paid Lemuel LeBaron Holmes for Hammond Shipyard lot for public bathing beach at a cost of $550, however, this probably was the present Shipyard Park and not the beach as we know it today. It appears the town borrowed $2,000 to grade the beach, build an abutment and fencing. In 1892 bathhouses were built at a cost of $120 where townspeople could either share a room or pay for a private room. Towels were available.

Regulations were strict for using the beach. For males the hours of bathing were from 5:00 am to 8:00 am and from 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm. For females the hours were from 9:00 am to 11:00 am and from 3:00 to 5:00 pm. These rules were in effect at least through 1900. In 1894, settees were purchased at a cost of $4.50. In 1913 a raft and slide were put in place. Do you remember the slide? I remember it as a child, but I believe it was damaged in the 1938 hurricane. In 1928 the town voted to allow towns-people to use the bathhouses without charge.

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Expanding even further in 1962, the town purchased two more lots on the east side; one from Ruth S. Worsley (15 feet by 125 feet) for $1,000; the second, formerly owned Ruth M. Martocci (110 feet by 110 feet) for $4,400. Following through on the 1886 committee

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seeking public beach property, Lemuel Holmes said, "The town should secure further access to the water as needs of our inhabitants require."

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Also ...

The Town of Hingham in 1935 ruled "no nude bathing" at any time in order that the natural beauty of our harbor not be marred. We dislike having our picturesque shores cluttered up with superfluous avoirdupois. I believe Mattapoisett wholeheartedly agrees.

Mattapoisett Selectmen's Meeting

August 3, 2004

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen was called to order on Tuesday, August 3 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Raymond H. Andrews. Also present were Selectman Stephen J. Lombard, Selectman Jordan C. Collyer, Town Administrator Michael J. Botelho, and Assistant to the Town Administrator Melody Pacheco.

The board first voted to:

• Allow three antique car shows to be held on the

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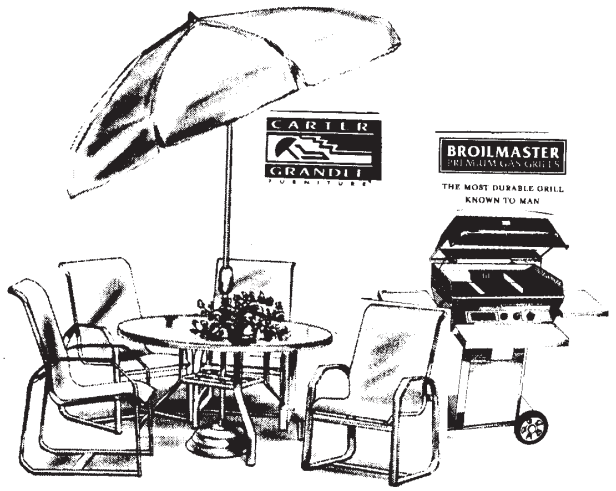

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• Appoint Linda A. Moffatt of Tobey Lane as a new member to the Planning Board. Ms. Moffatt was present to meet with the board and said she looks forward to serving the town in this capacity.

• Appoint Judith R. Anthony of Brookside Drive and Susan J. Zartman of Acushnet Road as Registrars with the town.

• Appoint Robert A. Lincoln as an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT).

• Approve the "Homecoming Sunday Service" for the Mattapoisett Congregational Church to be held on September 12 at 10:00 am at Ned's Point followed by a family cookout.

• Appoint Brenda Herbeck as the town's new Treasurer/Tax Collector, effective August 16.

Under notes and announcements, Selectman Collyer cited:

• The Mattapoisett Elementary School Building Committee will meet on Thursday, August 5 at 4:30 pm in Town Hall.

• The next regular Selectmen's meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 17 at 7:00 pm in Town Hall.

Ms. Pacheco also noted that former longtime Selectman John N. "Jack" DeCosta is currently in the hospital in intensive care and has been there since last Sunday. "I guess he's hurting and we're hoping he can get back on track," she said. Mr. DeCosta is currently at St. Luke's Hospital in New Bedford. "Our thoughts are with (the DeCosta family)," Chairman Andrews added.

In other matters, the board:

• Sent a letter of appreciation to Elizabeth Leidhold for her past service to the town as Conservation Agent.

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• Sent a letter of appreciation to the Mattapoisett Lions Club for purchasing a speaker system at the town's gazebo in Shipyard Park.

At 7:12 pm the board met with Harbormaster Steve Mach to discuss several departmental issues, including the proposed mapping and gridding of moorings in the harbor.

Mr. Mach and the board first wanted to clarify the role of the Marine Advisory Board (MAB), which Chairman Andrews said is an advisory board to the Selectmen.

"I'd propose a minimum of ... two meetings a year with the MAB," Chairman Andrews said.

Selectman Lombard also said there was some

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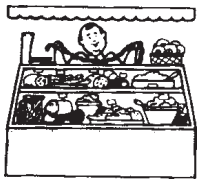

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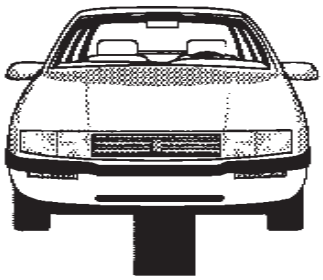

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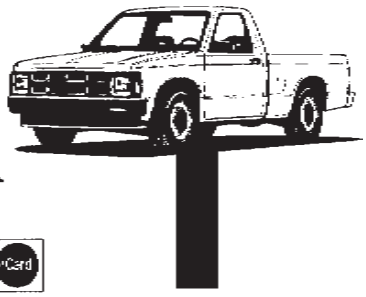

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confusion as to the process of appealing any decision rendered by the Harbormaster's department — which, under the town's current Wharf Rules and Regulations, should come before the Board of Selectmen, not the MAB.

"People aren't aware they can come before the Board of Selectmen to appeal a decision made by (the Harbormaster)," Selectman Lombard said. "They were going to the MAB ... they were going to the wrong place. You need to make that known ... that they're right to appeal is before the Board of Selectmen."

Likewise, those who have failed to make timely payments and have had their mooring privileges revoked are to appeal those decisions with the Selectmen, via Town Administrator Michael Botelho.

"Part of the problem was people who had a question about their status were referred to the MAB," Selectman Collyer said.

"My decision was, if they didn't make the (payment) deadline, they came off the list," Mr. Mach said.

Mr. Mach also said they hope to begin expanding and renovating the Harbormaster's Building at the Town Wharf, especially the public restroom facilities.

"The Harbormaster's building is a top priority," Mr. Mach said. "It's about 50 years old now and nothing's been done to it. The plan is to push the front of the building out to the first two parking spaces. We would take the back of the building for restrooms with an entrance for both restrooms on the (Shipyard Park) side. It would take probably about a year to complete if we start in the spring."

Mr. Mach said the total project is estimated to cost about $100,000, which would likely be bonded and paid back through the Waterfront Enterprise account.

"The restrooms are sorely needed ... that can proceed without doing (anything else)," Selectman Lombard agreed. "It's not only the boating crowd that

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"We were thinking if we're going to do (the restrooms), we might as well do it all at once," Mr. Mach said. "You could put (the restrooms) in in the winter and start (the rest) in the spring. I know we don't have enough money in-hand to do the project ... (so) we'll have to borrow the money."

The remainder of the evening was spent discussing the best way to approach the re-mapping and re-gridding of the harbor so as to balance retaining the "open space" for boating activities with fitting in as many moorings as possible.

Mr. Mach showed the board a map with three designated mooring fields: a high density area out past Ned's Point (where the majority of boats are now moored); a medium density area abutting the main channel to Mattapoisett Harbor; and a low density area closer to Shining Tides. Part of the process would allow the town to assign an exact latitude and longitude for each mooring site.

"The intent is to give everyone the equivalent of a street address out on the harbor ... that would eliminate a lot of problems," Mr. Mach said.

Indeed, Mr. Mach admitted that there is a great deal of recreational boating activity in Mattapoisett Harbor, so there are sensitive to keeping the mooring areas sparse. He's heard from many boaters that they don't want Mattapoisett to become densely packed like

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"Most of Mattapoisett is a sailing harbor," Mr. Mach said. "There were questions about allowing water skiing during high tide by permit only. There is an area off Shell Beach where you could water ski ... (though) it's not the best area."

"Everyone is talking about people not water skiing anymore ... if you don't make it easy for people, they won't do it," said Steve Ruel. "How does a kid learn about boating ... if you don't have access out there? You're going to shut the door and it's over. That's why I say fight to keep it the way it is. To take that area away and put a bunch of moorings in there, you're going to destroy this harbor — you're going to take a valuable resource away."

But Mr. Mach said there remains the matter of some 140 people currently on a waiting list to get a mooring in Mattapoisett, with an average wait time of 14 to 16 years.

Selectman Lombard, who admitted he is not a boater, said they'll just have to find a happy medium and they'll never please everyone. "You're never going to

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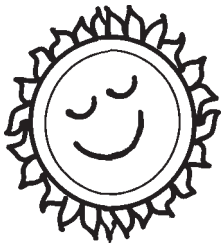
I thought that if I touched the bird that the mother would smell my scent and would reject the baby. That's an old wives tale as birds have poor senses of smell. Allowing the mother to raise the young increases their chance of survival.

Dr. Gould can be reached at the Mattapoisett Animal Hospital (508) 758-6400



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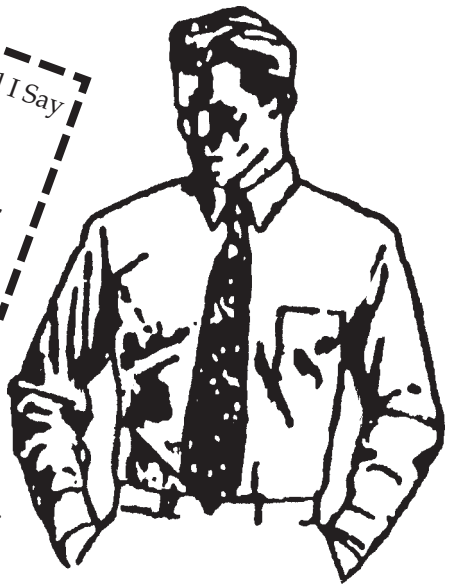

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make (the water skiiers), or the YMCA camp, or those on the mooring waiting list happy at the same time," he said.

In other matters, Mr. Botelho noted that ORR School Superintendent Dr. William Cooper contacted him about the recent school bus re-bidding process for Mattapoisett. The new bids were opened and the transportation costs for the local Mattapoisett schools came in $89,000 over budget. Mr. Botelho said Dr. Cooper proposed to offset a portion of this money with a contribution from the ORR School District's END Fund, spread out over three years.

"The region received over $100,000 more in state aid than what they planned for in their budget," Selectman Lombard said. "If it comes in higher than that, they are supposed to come to this Board of Selectmen and we are to decide what is done with that money. If that's the case, we need to know what that sum of money is. They either get to keep the money or return it to the town."

The board also discussed getting cost estimates to replace the town's ambulance which has been in constant need of repair in recent weeks. They would like to have these figures in hand for a planned Special Town Meeting this fall.

There being no further matters to come before the board, they unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening at 9:00 pm.

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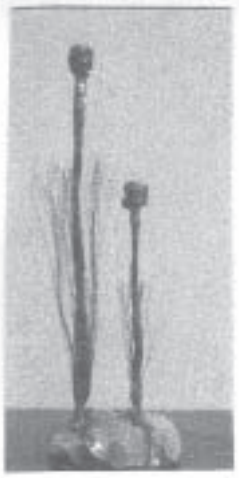

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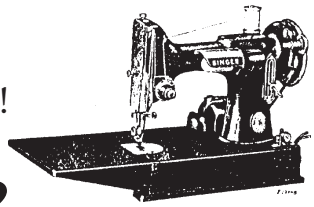

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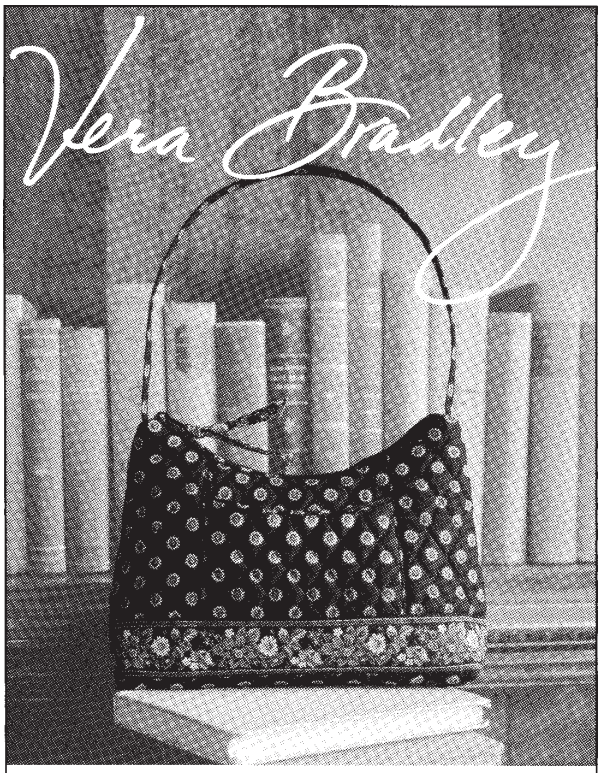

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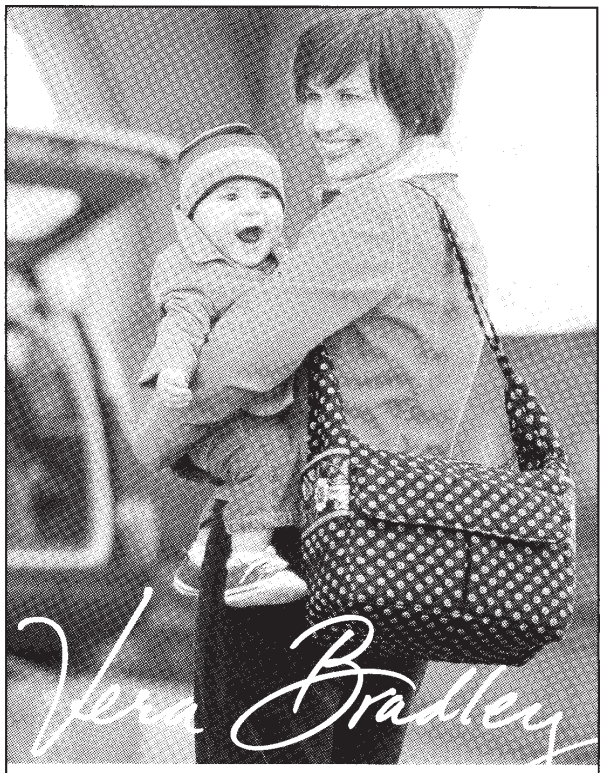

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Rochester Selectmen's Meeting

August 2, 2004

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, August 2, 2004 at 7:01 pm by Chairman Gary Laboa. Also present were Selectman Richard Nunes, Selectman Bradford Morse, Town Administrator James Huntoon, and Administrative Assistant Veronica Lafreniere.

The board first approved the minutes of the July 26 meeting's Open and Executive Sessions.

Mr. Huntoon noted the recently-formed Tri-Town Business Association sent notice that they are meeting once a month and they hope to get participation from area town officials. "It's a group of business leaders that gets together, monthly, and we don't raise money ... we're hoping to get membership from all three towns," said member and Rochester Town Moderator Greenwood Hartley III.

At 7:05 pm the board met jointly with Mr. Hartley and Finance Committee (FinCom) Chairman Michael Costa to appoint Kelly Sullivan Morgado and Richard Wisniewski to the Personnel Board. On a related matter, Chairman Costa said they are not yet prepared to make appointments to the FinCom at this time but will have recommendations after their next meeting.

The board then signed and approved the town's Dog Warrant and Animal Control Officer (ACO) Alex Wheeler advised they have sent notices to all dog owners to get their pets licensed. "We've had 250 people who didn't license their dogs and we've sent out cards (to them)," Mr. Wheeler said. "We have approximately 20 who haven't responded (to date). I'd like to give them one more week and if within a week they don't (respond), we'll act on the warrant and issue a summons."

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In addition, Mr. Wheeler informed the board he recently received a grant with the help of Animal Advocates from Dartmouth to get cats and dogs spayed or neutered in town as needed. This will greatly help in reducing the stray animal problem in town.

Under the Town Administrator's report, Mr. Huntoon reported that ORR School Superintendent Dr. William Cooper will be asking the three towns to allocate an additional $60,000 to cover transportation contracts for Mattapoisett and Marion for the 2004-2005 school year. The ORR School District recently awarded school bus bids but found they had underestimated the amounts for Mattapoisett and Marion while Rochester's contract came in at $19,000 under bid.

"Mattapoisett over the next two years will reimburse the district back $25,000 each of those years," Mr. Huntoon said. "(Dr. Cooper) wanted each of the Board of Selectmen to have notice of that so it wouldn't be a surprise. He asked if the Rochester (Selectmen) would endorse that. I don't believe we have any authority within the district — it's the ORR District School Committee's decision. It just sounds a little odd that the district is

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giving the town sort of like a loan."

"In order to make any kind of official endorsement, I would need more information," Chairman Laboa agreed. "I would want to know what's in that account each year."

As to the $19,000 surplus for Rochester students, the board felt that money should either be reimbursed to town coffers or used to cover transportation costs for students attending the Bristol County Agricultural School in Dighton, MA.

"If they're saying Rochester has a surplus of $19,000 ... what about the Bristol Aggie issue?" asked Selectman Nunes.

Under the FY 2004 budget, the state will no longer cover these additional transportation costs, even though ORR High School or Old Colony Regional Voke may not offer a suitable program for Rochester students.

"If we've found a $19,000 (surplus), isn't it only fair to share that with Bristol Aggie students (from Rochester)?" Mr. Huntoon asked. "With your permission, I'd like to write a letter to Dr. Cooper to see if they could use some of that ($19,000) to cover transportation for (Bristol Aggie) students."

The board agreed to have Mr. Huntoon draft a letter to that effect.

With pending vacations, the board decided that unless matters warranted a Selectmen's meeting on Monday, August 9, their next regular Selectmen's meeting would be held on Monday, August 23 at 7:00 pm since

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both Selectman Laboa and Selectman Nunes will alternately be away for the other two weeks during the month.

Under incoming correspondence, the board received a letter from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety advising that Rochester's Local Preparedness Grant has been finalized. The town needs to file a contract and a voucher to obtain reimbursement funds.

The board received a notice of intent from Knight & Look Campground to convert the 29.40 acres of the campground facility under Chapter 61B to residential use. The property's fair market value has been estimated at $1.079 million and owners Donald J. and Janice Look have entered into a Purchase and Sale Agreement with Hartley-Zell Housing Associates, LLC, of Wareham to purchase the property at this price. The town has 120 days to respond of their intent to purchase the property, otherwise it will be sold to Hartley-Zell.

"We should show it to the Land Trust to see if they have any interest," Chairman Laboa said.

The board noted the Rochester Planning Board will hold a meeting on Thursday, August 5 at 7:00 pm in the Rochester Town Hall Conference Room to discuss the creation of "Special Residential Development" By-Laws.

Under New Business, the board received a request from Chief Dispatcher Tracy Eldridge to appoint Samantha Bird as a part-time, non-benefitted dispatcher and Patricia Hutchinson as a temporary, part-time non-benefitted dispatcher with the Communications Department. The board unanimously appointed both as re-

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Pamela Robinson was present to request the loan of several items currently kept in Town Hall to be temporarily displayed at the Rochester Historical Museum. These items include: the water pump in the front entry of Town Hall; two weights and measures scales in the Town Hall attic; and a lantern that is in the basement. The board unanimously voted to grant permission for the loan of said items.

There being no further matters to come before the board, they unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening at 7:40 pm.

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In the Open Division, the top three finishers were **Craig Correia**, **Scott Metz**, and **Dan Warren**. In the Junior Divisions, it was **Seth Warren**, **Tim Warren**, **Jonkyle Chavez**, and **Luke Warren**.

The Finale standings for the July series is as follows:

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• Juniors – **Tim Warren**, **Seth Warren**, **Jonkyle Chavez**, **Luke Warren**, **Andy Thatcher**, and **Andrew Thatcher**.

• Open Division – **Dan Warren**, **Scott Metz**, **Craig Correia**, **Harvey Pentleton**, **Matt Pentleton**, **Peter O'Brien**, **Seth Warren**, **Ellen Hill**, **Janine Forest**, **Nick Warren**, **Justin Osborne**, and **Trevor Osborne**.

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The **Third Annual Chuck Michaud Golf Tournament** to benefit the **Old Rochester Regional Arena Fund** will be held on **Sunday, August 29, 2004** at the **Acushnet River Valley Country Club**, 685 Main Street in Acushnet (www.golfacushnet.com). Proper dress is required (see website for details). Donation is $110 per person, $440 per foursome with hole sponsorships available for $100/hole. Prices include greens fees, cart, beverages, and catered Italian buffet. Prizes will be awarded for a hole-in-one on every par 3 hole, with a grand prize of a new car courtesy of South Shore Volvo and $10,000 cash. Other prizes

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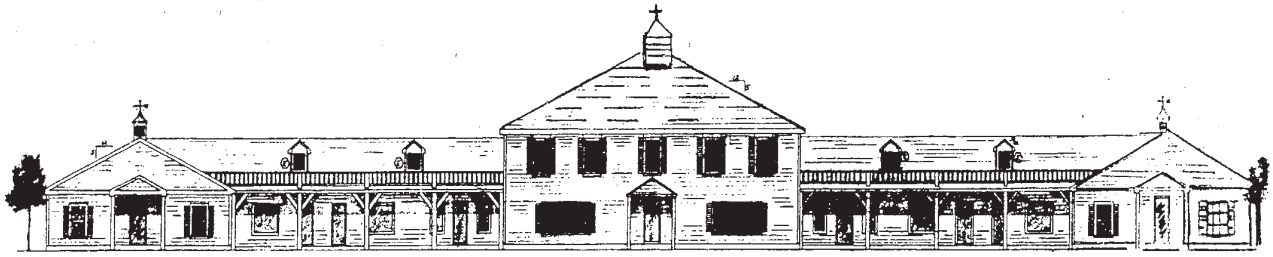

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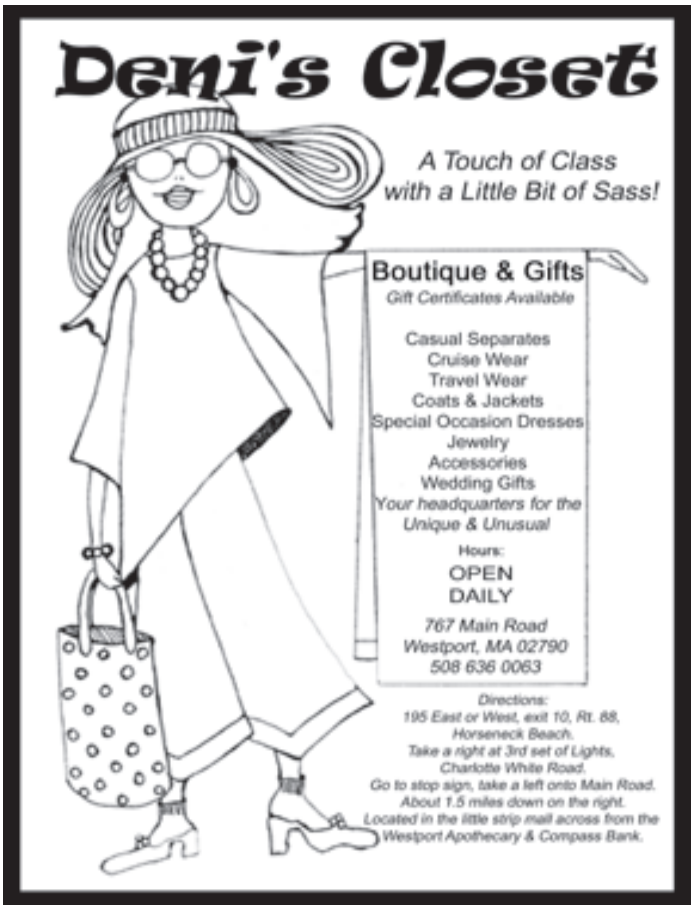

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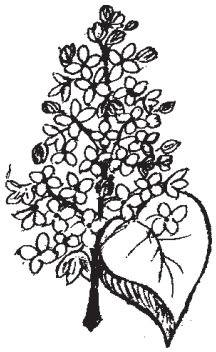

MYC 100 Mile Race.

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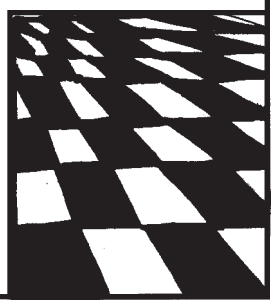

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The Duck Derby will take place on **Saturday, August 7, 2004 from 10:30 am to 1:00 pm**. The event will also feature free games, crafts, information and Derby thrills. There will be a $5 for lunch. For more information please call **508-636-2437** or visit **www.massaudubon.org/allenspond**.

Whaleboat Regatta

A weeklong **Whaleboat Regatta** to be held **August 11-17, 2004** will highlight cultural ties between New Bedford and the Azores, Portugal. Hosted by the **Azorean Maritime Heritage Society** in collaboration with the **New Bedford Whaling Museum**, the **City of New Bedford**, **New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park**, **Governo Regional dos Acores Comunidades**, **Camara da Horta** and the **Low Tide Yacht Club**, the regatta will bring together whaleboat crews from the islands of Faial and Pico in the Azores with their counter-

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On Thursday, August 12, as part of AHA!, New Bedford's monthly AHA! (Art-History-Architecture) arts and culture night, the community is invited to meet the crews and listen to Portuguese music by Groupo de Musica Popular "Ilhas de Bruma" Associacao Cultural Luzitana on the New Bedford Whaling Museum plaza.

On Friday, August 13 at 5:00 pm and Saturday, August 14 at 10:00 am, two whaleboat crews, one from Faial and one from Pico, will join their American counterparts, on a team made up of members from the Azorean Maritime Heritage Society, in timed sailing races in Clark's Cove in New Bedford's south end. The best viewing will be from West Beach. The three teams will rotate through the races in three Azorean whaleboats, two built here and one built on Faial. Unlike traditional New Bedford whaleboats, which were lowered from whaleships to pursue whales, Azorean whaleboats were longer in profile and were launched from beaches or boathouses. The last whaleship sailed out of New Bedford harbor in the 1920s and whaling ended in the Azores in the 1980s.

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At 4:00 pm, after the final race, there will be a ticketed awards ceremony and reception, including hors d'ouvres and music, celebrating the regatta participants and winners at the New Bedford Whaling Museum. In

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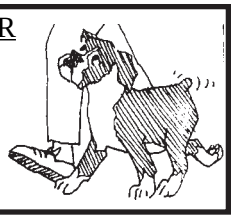

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Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

Some topics surfaced recently at a meeting of the Mattapoisett Bike Path Study Committee and these issues should be resolved *fully* before any path is undertaken.

One dealt with motorized scooters. Police Chief Mary Lyons, in attendance, said there are no regulations governing these vehicles. It means there is no age limit, no license required, obviously no insurance coverage and no speed limits. Great.

Picture one of these scooters on the path colliding with a jogger, walker, cyclist, etc. At present, nothing can be done. These vehicles can go over 20 miles-per-hour and the injuries resulting from them have caused several cities to try and ban them from sidewalks.

Second, the bridge over the Mattapoisett River, adjacent to the YMCA Camp, will have to be widened. Would it be safe at this point? Any studies being done on it?

Then there is the bridge that will have to span the creek near the beach adjacent to the YMCA Camp. At last note it was to be 50 feet in length. How will it stand up to major storms? Can pilings be safely driven to insure its stability? Take a look at some of the homes that have been wrecked as a result of hurricanes and ask if the bridge will survive. If not, who replaces it? Town money?

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parked along Mattapoisett Neck Road, Chief Lyons admitted. Residents on the road have already expressed interest in "no parking" signs. Highway Surveyor Wes Bowman said parking problems could ensue on Main Street after the proposed path crosses Route 6. And there will be a need for a turnaround for emergency vehicles using the path. So far, that spot has not been figured out.

Finally, there is the question of liability to the town. Accidents, sand across the path (following a coastal storm), etc. create lawsuits. Some lawyers are probably licking their chops in waiting for an incident. How is the town covered? And for how much? Do the premiums go up once the path is in? Who, ultimately, pays the premiums? You guessed it.

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Sincerely,
Frank Haggerty
Mattapoisett

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American Legion Meeting

The Florence Eastman Post 280 American Legion will hold its monthly meeting on Wednesday, August 18 at 7:30 pm in the American Legion Hall on Depot Street in Mattapoisett. The post encourages all veterans to become involved and attend the monthly meetings. For further information, please contact the Veterans Office at 508-758-4114.

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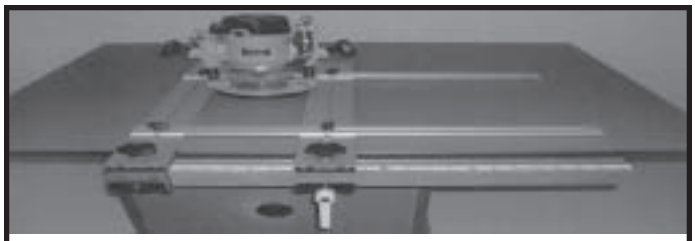

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It's that time of year again. Rochester's annual agricultural fair is just a couple of weeks away. Gardens are in full bloom, full of vegetables, fruits and flowers that hopefully you will consider entering in the fair. Don't forget all those craft and needlework projects, either. Fair books are out and can be found at many of the local businesses throughout town. To enter, please bring your entries to the Grange Hall on Friday afternoon, August 20 between 2:00 and 4:00 pm or in the evening between 7:00 and 8:30 pm. If you have any questions or wish to make supper reservations, please call Sue at 508-295-8908.

Marion Antiques Show

The Marion Antiques Show will take place on Saturday, August 21 and Sunday, August 22 in the newly air conditioned exhibition hall at Tabor Academy in Marion. Tickets are $8 per person and show hours are from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm daily.

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A Gala Preview Party will be held on Friday evening, August 20 from 5:30 to 8:30 pm. Enjoy an evening reception complete with hors d'oeuvres and entertainment. Tickets are available now by calling 508-748-1116. The cost is $40 per person in advance and $45 at the door, which also includes admission to the show on Saturday and Sunday.

Sunday, August 22 is "Heirloom Discovery Day." A highly qualified panel of expert appraisers will be on hand from 1:00 to 3:00 pm to verbally appraise any antique article. There will be a charge of $15 for appraising up to three objects and this includes admission to the show.

The proceeds from this year's Marion Antiques Show will be used by the Sippican Historical and Preservation Society to support the Island Wharf Beautification Project.

Come spend the day or weekend browing with a friend or your family. While in town, consider visiting the Sippican Historical and Preservation Society Museum which houses many fascinating artifacts related to the history of Marion.

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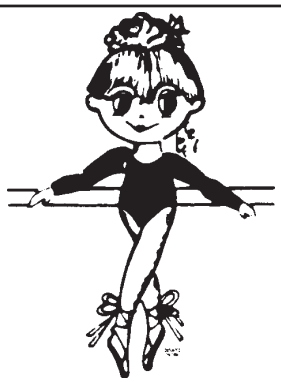

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• **Monday, August 9 –** Water Aerobics 8:00 am; SHINE Counselor 9:30 am; Garden Club 10:00 am; Fairhaven Marts 1:00 pm; Friends of the Elderly Meeting 3:00 pm;
• **Tuesday, August 10 –** Stop and Shop/Marts 8:00 am; COA Baord Meeting at Center School 9:00 am; Handwork Group 10:00 am; Weight Training 2:00 pm;
• **Wednesday, August 11 –** Water Aerobics 8:00 am; Bingo 1:00 pm; Band Concert 7:30 pm;
• **Thursday, August 12 –** Blueberry Picking and Lunch 10:00 am;
• **Friday, August 13 –** Shaws 8:00 am; Weight Training 9:30 am.

Note: The Mattapoisett Senior Center will be closed on the following Friday afternoons from 1:00 to 3:00 pm: August 13, August 20, and August 27, and all day on Labor Day, Monday, September 6.

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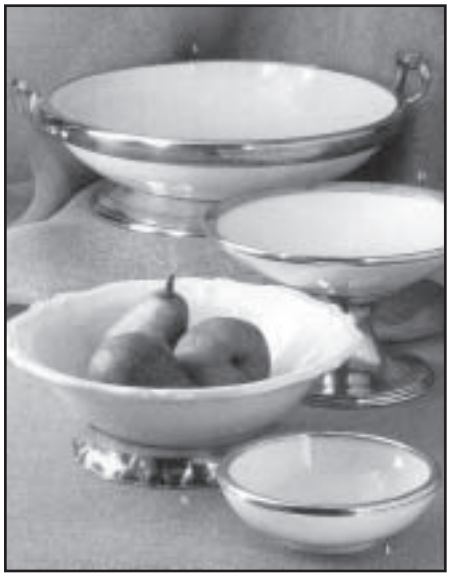

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Marion Band Concert

The Marion Concert Band will present a concert tribute to the music and musical style of John Philip Sousa on Monday, August 9. The program, which includes several unannounced encores, is as follows:

National Anthem; Overture: "Light Cavalry" - F. von Suppe; "People" from *Funny Girl,* Erica Stenquist, soprano; *Lohengrin* (Prelude to Act III) - R. Wagner; "Clarinet Candy" - L. Anderson; "Musician's Strike" (Comic Tat-too) - P. Fahrbach; "The Entertainer" (A Ragtime Two-Step) - S. Joplin; "Mio Babbino Caro" ("Gianni Schicchi") - G. Puccini, Kristina Bachrach, soprano; "Armed Forces Salute" - arr. B. Lowden.

Erica Stenquist, 16, is a junior at Holliston High School, in Holliston, MA. She is a member of the New England Conservatory's Youth Chorale, and founding member of Holliston's *Over the Top*. In 2002, she sang back-up vocals for the Jo Dee Messina Christmas Concert at the Tsongas Arena, and for Judy Collins' Christmas performance at Symphony Hall in Boston. This year she earned a seat in both MMEA's Central District Chorus and the All-State Chorus. In addition, she been nominated to perform with the MENC All-Eastern Chorus in Balti-

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more, MD next March. Erica has a passion for singing and plans to pursue a career in music.

Kristina Bachrach, 17, recently graduated from Holliston High School. She has been studying voice at the New England Conservatory since the eighth grade, where she also took part in many vocal chamber groups, large ensembles and the Early Vocal Training program. She recently completed her Senior Voice Recital and received an award for outstanding Vocal Performance from the NEC Preparatory Voice Department. With aspirations of becoming an opera singer, Kristina will be attending the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign as a James Scholar, where she will study vocal performance. Erica and Kristina join the Marion Concert Band from

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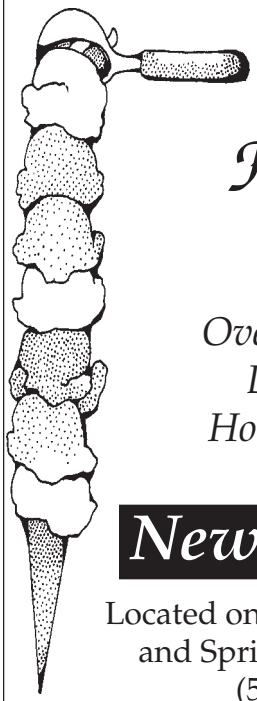

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The concert, under the direction of Tobias Monte, will begin at 7:30 pm at the Robert Broomhead bandstand on Island Wharf in Marion Village. All concerts are free and open to the public.

Mattapoisett CPR Class

A Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) class will be held on Wednesday, August 11 at the Mattapoisett Police Department from 6:00 to 10:00 pm. Limited seating is available, so please call 508-758-4141 to sign up.

Rochester Craft Fair

The First Congregational Church of Rochester will hold its Annual Craft Fair and Flea Market on the town green on Saturday, September 4, 2004 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm (rain date: Monday, September 6).

Marion Block Party

On Saturday, August 28, 2004, the Marion Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 2425 will be throwing a Block Party on Spring Street in Marion from 5:00 pm to 11:00 pm, with all proceeds to benefit VFW Post 2425. In response to popular demand, the VFW is incorporating all the elements which have made past Marion town parties such a successful and good time for all:

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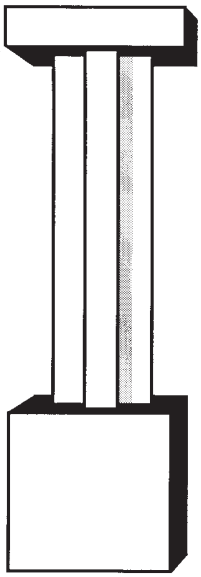

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West Side Story at ORR

The Old Rochester Regional High School Drama Club will proudly present *West Side Story*, with the help of some former ORR students. The well-known musical is based on the conception of Jerome Robbins, with music by Leonard Bernstein and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim.

Some of the characters in the production include: Julie Langevin as Maria, Kevin McCarthy as Tony, Jordan Butterfield as Anita, Gary Vaughn as Bernardo, Steve Vaughn as Riff, Nate Valente as Action, Steven Alves as Chico, Kevin Hart as Lieutenant Shrank, Charles Tucker Johnson as Officer Krupke, and Lou Sommo as Doc. Many ORR students and alumni contribute to the lively songs and dance on stage. The production is being directed by Paul Sardinha, Steve Rogers is the musical director, costumes by Helen Blake, Lindsey Butterfield is Stage Manager, Gary Vaughn is Choreographer, John Farrell on Sound, and Matt Rocha will provide Lighting Design.

West Side Story will be presented at the Old Rochester Regional High School Gilbert D. Bristol Auditorium on Thursday, August 12; Friday, August 13; and Saturday, August 14 at 8:00 pm. A matinee performance will be staged on Sunday, August 15 at 2:00 pm. Ticket prices are $10 for adults and $8 for students/seniors.

Tickets may be purchased in advance at the Mattapoisett Seaport Village and Ice Cream Shoppe, Plumb Corner Market in Rochester, and the Marion General Store. Tickets will also be available at the door on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Mattapoisett Lighthouse Tours

Every Thursday during the month of August, members of US Coast Guard Flotilla 67 will conduct free tours of the Ned's Point Lighthouse in Mattapoisett from 10:00 am until 12:00 noon, weather permitting. No appointment is necessary, however, keep in mind that all tours will end at 12:00 noon. If you have any questions, please send an e-mail to **nedspointlight@comcast.net**.

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- **Friday, August 6 –** 1:30 pm: Movie: *Cold Mountain*;
- **Monday, August 9 –** Peabody Museum; 1:00 pm: Exercise;
- **Tuesday, August 10 –** 11:30 pm: Lunch; 1:00 pm: Card Bingo; 7:00 pm: Summer Dance;
- **Wednesday, August 11 –** 1:00 pm: Line Dancing;
- **Thursday, August 12 –** 9:30 am to 11:30 am: Crafts; 1:00 pm: Exercise;
- **Friday, August 13 –** 1:30 pm: Movie: *Homecoming*;
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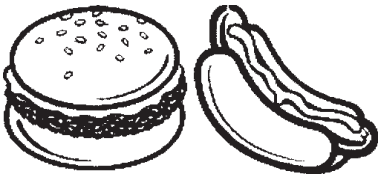
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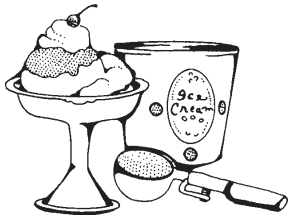

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- **Thursday, August 19 –** 10:30 am: Blood Pressure Clinic; 12:00 pm: Annual Picnic;
- **Friday, August 20 –** 1:30 pm: Movie: *The Princess Diaries*;
- **Monday, August 23 –** New Bedford Harbor Tour; 1:00 pm: Exercise;
- **Tuesday, August 24 –** 11:30 am: Lunch; 1:00 pm: Card Bingo;
- **Wednesday, August 25 –** 1:00 pm: Line Dancing;
- **Thursday, August 26 –** 9:30 to 11:30 am: Crafts; 11:30 am: Lunch; 1:00 pm: Exercise;
- **Friday, August 27 –** 1:30 pm: Movie: *Tin Pan Alley*;
- **Saturday, August 28 –** SERVE Pick-Up;
- **Monday, August 30 –** Buttonwood Park Zoo; 1:00 pm: Exercise;
- **Tuesday, August 31 –** 11:30 am: Lunch; 1:00 pm: Card Bingo.

Marion VFW Clambake

The Benjamin D. Cushing 2425 Veterans of Foreign Waters (VFW) of Marion announced its 58th annual old fashioned "Rockweed Clambake" on Sunday, August 8 at 1:30 pm at the VFW Hall, Route 6 in Marion. It would be perfect if all volunteers — sons, daughters, nieces, nephews, and friends — would arrive at 12:00 noon. As usual, members who wash clams, husk corn, cut veggies and melons, arrive at 7:00 am. If anyone wishes to help, please call Rodney Hunt's cell phone at 508-287-2351 or Gabby McWilliams at 508-295-9558. There will be no reserved seats. Please bring a knife and fork. For tickets or more information, please call Jere Hill (508-295-5047); Demi Barros Jr. (508-748-1028); or Gabby McWilliams (508-295-9558).

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They have been unable to locate the following classmates. Anyone who has any information or knows the whereabouts of the following classmates should call 1-978-433-6016 or 1-508-429-6814: Martin Bauer, Clarissa Dow, William Gerry, Sandra Gilbert, Joyce Guilherme, Malcolm Hardy, Chris Haywood, Virginia LaFrance, Pam LaPointe, Robert Mandell, Robert Marcellino, Eileen Mosher, David Nowak, Hugina Beppie Plomp, Gene-Elaine Robinson, John Rosa, William Dan Sawyer, Dorothy Ann Silva, Margaret Silvia, Joyce Talbot, Fredrick Tavares, Robert Townsend, Lourdes Duque.

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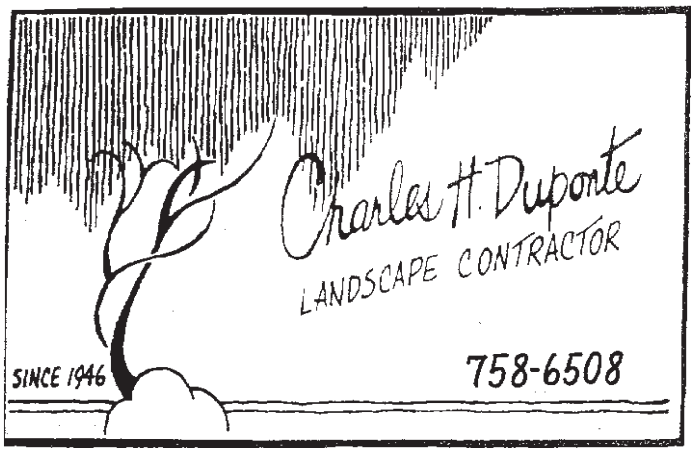

Mattapoisett Boating Course

The Mattapoisett Power Squadron is proud to present the Squadron Boating Course, a course for all boaters (the personal watercraft operator; the hunter or fisherman operating an outboard utility boat; the skipper of a family cruiser; the sailing enthusiast) at Old Rochester Regional High School, Marion Road (Route 6) in Mattapoisett on Tuesday, September 14, 2004. Registration is from 6:30 to 7:30 pm and the course begins at 7:30 pm.

All boaters must follow the same nautical rules and regulations, and courtesies of the sea, and all are subject to the same forces of nature while boating. As boating is often a family activity, the course is of value to all members of a boating family. The power squadron encourages families to attend as groups. Massachusetts requires that all boaters under the age of 16 pass an approved boating course to operate a motor boat of any horse power. This course provides instruction and examination for laws and regulations for Massachusetts and, if required, can include Rhode Island regulations.

The Boating Course familiarizes the student with the fundamentals of safe boating and is accredited by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators to qualify for certification in those states that require boating education before operating a watercraft. Subjects include: boat handling under normal conditions; adverse conditions and emergencies; types of boats and boating terminology; required and recommended equipment; boating regulations and navigation rules; lines and knots;

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For more information, please contact Dave True (508-763-5241) or Steve Crook (508-994-0119).

Rochester Farmer's Market

A Farmer's Market will be held at the Plumb Corner Mall in Rochester on Saturday, August 7 and Saturday, August 14. Vendors are wanted. Please call Bev Loves Books at 508-763-5503 for details and more information.

Marine Artist Exhibit

Nationally and internationally acclaimed Mattapoisett artist Mike Mazer, whose marine, land and seascapes have been juried into over 160 national and international exhibitions, while being the recipient of 44 awards, is having a solo exhibition at the Marion Art Center now through August 25. One of his works features the Marion Art Center, a delightful and quaint building dating back to 1830 as a Universalist Church, that was later converted in 1957, to the successful visual and performing arts center that it is today.

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Along a similar historical venue, Mike is now President of the prestigious New England Watercolor Society, a non-profit organization of over 400 members that was originally founded in 1885 as the Boston Watercolor Society. Some of the Society's original founding members included Frank Benson, Childe Hassan and John Singer Sargent.

Mike is also currently exhibiting other recent work at a number of juried exhibitions locally, regionally and nationally. Some of these include the Cape Museum of Fine Arts in Dennis, where he has three works in the "Masters of the Sea" exhibition with the Northeast region of the American Society of Marine Artists (ASMA). Mike has been asked by the Museum to participate in their upcoming fundraiser live auction to be held at the Wychmere Harbor Club in Harwichport in September. He also exhibited with the ASMA in their 13th National show at the Vero Beach Museum of Art in Florida that just ended.

Mike has two paintings at the Coos Art Museum in Coos Oregon for their 11th National Marine Show. He has three paintings juried into the "Impressions of New England" exhibition at the Bennington Center for the Arts in Bennington, VT, the Connecticut Academy of Fine Arts 93rd Annual in Mystic, the "Art of New England" exhibit in Old Lyme, CT, the New England Watercolor Society's Ninth Biennial North American Open in Bennington, VT and is exhibiting with the Montana, and Louisiana

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In the past year, Mike was elected into the Watercolor USA Honor Society and elected to membership in the Hudson Valley Art Association in New York. In recent months, his work has received the Best in Show in the Rhode Island Watercolor Society's members show, Best of Show in the Stoughton Art Association's annual show, and First Place in the Canton Art Associations Spring show. Nationally, he won a Merit Award from California's

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His work may be seen at Roger's Gallery in Mattapoisett, and the Felos Memorial Art Gallery in Stoughton. Mike has paintings in many private, corporate and public collections, including the New Bedford Free Public Library, the US Coast Guard in Washington, DC, and Tabor Academy in Marion. His work has been published in "Contemporary Marine Art" 12th and 13th exhibitions and the 2003 Plymouth Savings Bank Calendar, which contained selected work from Museums and Art Centers. He is an elected or signature member of over 21 national art organizations, as well as many local and regional art societies.

Rochester Silent Auction

The Friends of the Plumb Memorial Library in Rochester will be hosting a Silent Auction in late August. They are currently accepting donations of items for the auction. Individuals, groups, and businesses are invited to make donations. All donations are tax-deductible. They are looking for: handcrafted items; original artwork and photographs; antiques and collectibles; goods and services of any kind; or anything else you can think of. All proceeds will benefit the Friends of the Plumb Memorial Library, a non-profit organization which raises funds for special library programs and services. Please contact them at 508-763-8600 for more information. All items can be

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Mattapoisett Waterfront Expo

The Mattapoisett YMCA has rescheduled the 2004 Waterfront Expo which was originally planned for June 6 but was cancelled due to weather. It has been rescheduled for Saturday, August 21 (rain date: August 22) from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. On hand will be vendor exhibits, sailboat rides, kayaking, canoeing, life jacket swap, nautical flea market, and family fun activities which will be complemented with exhibits and demonstrations on water safety. Over 25

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There will be a life jacket swap so that families may drop off outgrown jackets in hopes of exchanging them for a jacket that correctly fits for waterfront safety. Also featured will be a Nautical Flea Market.

Family fun activities include a bounce house and skateboard demos in the Mattapoisett YMCA skate park by Solstice Skateboards from New Bedford. No Kidding will be selling toys and kites for everyone's enjoyment. The Mattapoisett Boat Yard will be running launch rides and the Mattapoisett Harbormaster and Fire Department boats will be available for boarding.

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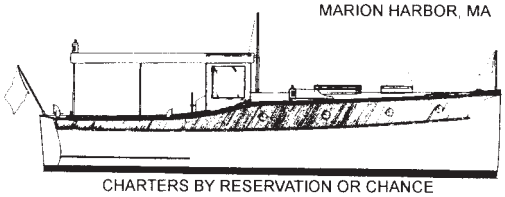

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Reform Candidate

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***The Manchurian Candidate*. Starring Denzel Washington and Meryl Streep. Directed by Jonathan Demme. Running time: 135 minutes. MPAA rating: R.**

Nobody plays solitaire in Jonathan Demme's new rendition of *The Manchurian Candidate*, and I wondered why until I reflected on the meaning of the card game in the original 1962 film, wherein a brainwashed soldier was triggered to kill by the sight of the queen of diamonds. In 1962, red didn't just mean blood; it meant commies, and the red queen was ... well, let's not spoil anything. Today, communism isn't a big worry; terrorism is, and, for some of us, the bigger worry is a government that takes away our rights in the name of fighting terrorism and does deals with corporations that profit handsomely from military operations. Thus, in the remake, the puppetmaster is not Manchuria but Manchurian Global, a Halliburton-like outfit represented by three shady guys, including a stogie-waving Dean Stockwell.

How does the new *Manchurian* stack up to the old? For some, nothing can replace John Frankenheimer's original, so far ahead of its time that it was considered a lurid paranoid fantasy until JFK was shot and the '60s started getting weird and scary. Under Frankenheimer's rock-solid direction, Frank Sinatra actually bestirred himself and gave a performance, and the script included many winking, cynical references to the way things really worked (such as the way the McCarthy-esque senator comes up with the magic number of 57 communists). Both films, I think, need to be viewed within the context of their times, and Demme's *Candidate* is, if anything, more relevant to 2004 than Frankenheimer's was to 1962 (in retrospect it seems more prescient than relevant).

After a few questionable moves (including his previous film, the flop remake *The Truth About Charlie*), Demme puts on his game face and remembers the instincts that led him to fortune and glory with *The Silence of the Lambs*. His *Manchurian Candidate* honors the original in every way — mainly by being its own reckless beast, powered by unstable, off-center camerawork (and many, many huge, staring-right-into-the-back-row close-ups). Demme's filmmaking has lost none of its jazz, and some of the uglier moments — like the flashbacks and dreams, glimpses of medical mutilation and horror — rival the creep-out factor in *Silence*. His casting remains as quirky as ever, too; it's a kick to see Demme regulars like Charles Napier, Tracey Walter, and even Robyn Hitchcock in an $80 million Paramount thriller opening in almost 3,000 theaters.

Denzel Washington takes the Sinatra role, as war veteran Ben Marco (this time it's Desert Storm rather than the Korean War), who has been having odd dreams about a soldier in his unit, Raymond Shaw (Liev Schreiber, doing his best to out-icicle Lawrence Harvey). Washington is one of those actors Alfred Hitchcock would've loved — he projects decency and intelligence, so we believe him when he starts talking crazy, even when no one else does. Marco has doubts about Shaw's heroic actions in battle, not to mention Shaw's domineering mother (Meryl Streep, enjoying herself sinfully), who's grooming him for the vice-presidency. Along the way, Marco encounters such oddities as skin implants, Jeffrey Wright as a stammering veteran with walls full of anguished scribblings, and Kimberly Elise as a supermarket cashier who might be overqualified for the job.

I can only hint and suggest from here, but suffice it to say that if you've seen the first *Manchurian Candidate*, you don't know how the new one ends (I approve of the change, and it works well with the Oedipal subtext, which Demme and his writers ratchet up a bit). I don't think the words "Democrat" or "Republican" are spoken in the film, but this is still likely the most electrifying political movie made in this country since Oliver Stone's *JFK* (and yes, that includes *Fahrenheit 9/11*). What effect, if any, will it have on the presidential election? I don't know, other than maybe making a few impressionable moviegoers scrutinize Kerry and Edwards, looking for the red queen behind Edwards. The not-very-subtle parallels to Halliburton won't make Bush supporters happy, and the implication that politicians who talk the little-guy talk are really in thrall to the fatcats probably isn't what the Kerry campaign wants people to muse on, either. Like the original, this *Manchurian Candidate* is an equal-opportunity troublemaker.

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Fahrenheit 9/11 (R) – 12:55, 3:40, 6:40, 9:05
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Harold & Kumar Go to White Castle (R) – 7:25, 9:25
The Bourne Supremacy (PG-13) – 12:00, 2:25, 4:45, 7:20, 9:40
The Village (PG-13) – 12:15, 2:35, 4:55, 7:15, 9:35
The Manchurian Candidate (R) – 12:40, 3:45, 7:00, 9:40
Little Black Book (PG-13) – 12:05, 2:25, 4:45, 7:10, 9:30
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INNER VIEWS

Three Strikes

By Kenneth J. Souza
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It's been almost a week now, so will you *puh-leeze* stop mourning the loss of Nomar already? Alas, there's nothing you can do about it. Nomar is, sadly, *no mas.*

As a means of healing your hurting soul and exorcising those deep-seated Boston Red Sox demons, might I suggest a good, old-fashioned "boys of summer" read? In fact, there's a veritable triple-play of solid, entertaining baseball books out now that will soon help you forget about all-things-Garciaparra. And if that isn't enough, all three tomes have local connections: two are long-overdue examinations of the renowned Cape Cod baseball farm league which has spawned its fair share of big-name players, and the third is a fascinating historical novel about Jackie Robinson from none other than mystery man and Mattapoisett native Robert B. Parker.

• ***Baseball on Cape Cod* by Dan Crowley; 128 pages; softcover; Arcadia Publishing; $19.99.**

It all began with the first organized game on a field owned by sea captain Edward Nichols along School Street in Sandwich, MA way back in 1865. Since then, America's pasttime has prospered among the dunes of Cape Cod.

Dan Crowley's *Baseball on Cape Cod* is a compelling photo-album compendium of images tracing the history of what has become the country's premier collegiate summer baseball league. Indeed, over the past century the Cape Cod Baseball League has become the undisputed steppingstone to the major leagues, with many former players now immortalized in the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown.

Crowley balances the collection of team and individual photos with ample captions detailing how the sport has become legendary on Cape Cod ... and how legends like "Buck" Showalter, Robin Ventura, Carlton Fisk, and Jeff Bagwell cut their teeth playing for one of the many Cape teams. To this day, the league remains home to some of the finest amateur baseball in the nation, and Crowley's book provides a great introduction to this sometimes overlooked part of Cape Cod history.

• ***The Last Best League: One Summer, One Season, One Dream* by Jim Collins; 288 pages; hardcover; Da Capo Press; $24.00.**

Once you've tasted Crowley's appetizer book, you may want to move on to the main course with Jim Collins' *The Last Best League: One Summer, One Season, One Dream,* a detailed play-by-play of a single season in the Cape Cod league. Collins opts to examine the amateur league in the here-and-now and clearly demonstrates why one out of every six major league players (including the now-lamented Nomar Garciaparra) called the Cape Cod organization their training ground.

Collins meticulously chronicles a season in the life of the Chatham A's, perhaps the most celebrated team in the Cape Cod Baseball League. Although a work of non-fiction, Collins' book reads like a fascinating novel which delves into the lives of both the league's die-hard fans and its up-and-coming players — both of which hang their hopes and dreams every summer on a shot at the big leagues. But for every blue-chip prospect who fulfills great expectations, there is also the sad tale of those who go home injured or another who is dubbed "the biggest disappointment on the Cape." As in life, nothing in baseball is certain. And Collins wisely celebrates both, to borrow an over-used sports phrase, "the thrill of victory and the agony of defeat."

• ***Double Play* by Robert B. Parker; 304 pages; hardcover; Putnam; $24.95.**

Last, but not least, mystery writer and Spenser scribe Robert B. Parker blends his own boyhood baseball memories with the looming legend of Jackie Robinson and adds a dose of what he does best to produce *Double Play,* an intriguing historical novel that is part autobiography, part sports tribute. Given that this prolific writer has gradually added detours into Jesse Stone and Sunny Randall adventures to his annual Spenser outings — which, I hate to admit, feel more pedestrian and forced these days — it's clear that he longs to flex his creative muscle in places outside Spenser's Boston. And thankfully so.

Like stellar "non-Spenser" offerings *Gunman's Rhapsody* and *All Our Yesterdays* — two of my all-time favorite Parker books — *Double Play* is a refreshing and surprising novel with only the faintest whiff of the indelible Spenser-Hawk framework evident in the relationship between protagonist Joseph Burke and the man he is hired to guard: Jackie Robinson. The book takes place in 1947 when Robinson breaks Major League Baseball's color barrier by agreeing to play for the Brooklyn Dodgers. Both Burke and his charge are men of honor and yet both are wrestling with their own personal demons. As its title suggests, *Double Play* shows that a little teamwork can go a long way.

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The Rochester Country Fair will be celebrating its fifth anniversary this summer on August 18 - 22. For those who may be interested in a particular event or perhaps just want to have fun, following are some of the many events planned for the weekend. For complete updated information, be sure to check their website at **www.rochesterma.com**.

Theme Parade

Applications for the Rochester Country Fair's "Olympic Spirit" Theme Parade are now available online at **www.rochesterma.com**.

The judged parade will take place on Sunday, August 22 and will step off at 10:00 am sharp. In an attempt to prevent the beginning of the parade from

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Local Police Logs

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The following log excerpts are for the week of July 25, 2004 through July 31, 2004:

• Silvershell Beach – suspicious activity
• Randall Road – assist other police department
• Benson Brook Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• Marconi Lane – suspicious motor vehicle
• Water Street – parking violation
• Gifford's Corner Road – fireworks complaint
• Wareham Road – adult arrest (warrant)
• Front Street – animal complaint
• South Street – animal complaint
• Spring Street – suspicious activity
• Ichabod Lane – family disturbance
• Ichabod Lane – officer wanted
• Wareham Road – assist other police department
• River Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• Front Street – officer wanted
• Converse Road – animal complaint
• Cove Circle – animal complaint
• Delano Road – noise complaint
• Kabeyun Road – animal complaint
• Converse Road – officer wanted
• Wareham Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• Stoney Run Lane – animal complaint
• Quelle Lane – animal complaint
• Wareham Road – family disturbance
• Wareham Road – family disturbance/ adult arrest (drunkeness, protective custody)
• Vine Street – larceny/past
• Delano Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• Point Road – animal complaint
• Front Street – parking violation
• Maple Avenue – motor vehicle theft/ past
• Creek Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• Wareham Road – assist other police department
• Tucker Lane – family disturbance
• Marconi Lane – suspicious motor vehicle
• Cottage Lane – suspicious motor vehicle
• Wareham Road – sex offense/past
• Water Street – parking violation
• Front Street – order of protection
• Silvershell Beach – waterways complaint
• East Avenue – noise complaint
• Point Road – suspicious person
• Cross Neck Road – animal complaint
• Rocky Knook Lane – breaking and entering/past
• Front Street – motor vehicle accident/ property damage
• Point Road – adult arrest (operating with suspended license, expired registration)
• Green Street – family disturbance
• Oakdale Avenue – disturbance.

MATTAPOISETT

The following log excerpts are for the week of July 25, 2004 through July 31, 2004:

• Brandt Island Road – vandalism
• Shady Oak Drive – disturbance
• Crystal Spring Road – ATV/recreational vehicle complaint
• Aucoot Road – drugs/narcotics violation
• Park Street – officer wanted
• County Road – property returned
• Water Street – stolen property
• County Road – property returned
• County Road – larceny/forgery/fraud
• North Street – suspicious motor vehicle
• North Street – liquor law violation
• Route 195 East – adult arrest (warrant)
• Briar Road – civil complaint
• Mattapoisett Neck Road – animal complaint
• Route 195 East – mutual aid/police
• Park Street – burglary/breaking and entering into structure
• St. Luke's Hospital – assault reported
• Route 6 – suspicious motor vehicle
• Oakland Street – medical assist
• Lil's Way – stolen property
• Marion Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• Brandt Island Road – fire
• North Street – motor vehicle accident
• Acushnet Road – vandalism
• Wolf Island Road – animal control
• Pico Beach Road – animal control
• Tinkham Hill Road – assist other agency
• Marion Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• County Road – suspicious motor vehicle.

ROCHESTER

The following log excerpts are for the week of July 27, 2004 through August 3, 2004:

• Marion Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• Mendell Road – highway matter
• Dexter Lane – officer wanted
• Walnut Plain Road – keep the peace
• Marion Road – simple threats
• Snipatuit Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• Rounseville Road – officer wanted
• Hartley Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• Boxberry Lane – suspicious person
• Walnut Plain Road – ATV/recreational vehicle complaint
• High Street – ATV/recreational vehicle complaint
• High Street – suspicious motor vehicle
• Mary's Pond Road – officer wanted
• Walnut Plain Road – simple threats
• Rounseville Road – restraining order violation
• Dexter Lane – keep the peace
• Edwards Lane – trespassing order service
• Stevens Road – erratic operation of motor vehicle
• County Road – adult arrest (protective custody)
• North Avenue – civil complaint
• Stuart Road – erratic operation of motor vehicle/juvenile arrest (protective custody)
• Gerrish Road – domestic disturbance
• County Road – ATV/recreational vehicle complaint
• Cranberry Highway – traffic hazard
• North Avenue – civil complaint
• Snipatuit Road – missing person
• Rounseville Road – officer wanted
• Hartley Road – highway matter
• Mary's Pond Road – erratic operation of motor vehicle/adult arrest (operating under the influence of liquor, negligent operation of motor vehicle, marked lanes violation)
• Snipatuit Road – annoying phone calls
• Walnut Plain Road – runaway
• Lady Slipper Trail – animal complaint.

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finishing while the end is still starting, the parade has been slightly altered in length. The parade route this year is as follows:

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The Rochester Country Fair Committee looks forward to many enthusiastic participants who take the time to prepare for the parade by polishing their cars and commercial vehicles, putting a fresh coat of paint on their favorite antique tractor, and of course those who go all

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19 Orenburg's river
20 Literary pseudonym
21 Like Schoenberg's music
22 Like Felix Unger?
25 Act like Holmes
26 "— Card" ('90 film)
27 Comic Orson
28 Bungle
30 Sweater letter
31 On the nose
34 Skinny novelist?
39 Get on
40 Rocker Tom
41 Curly coif
42 "Saving Private Ryan" extras
45 Moffo or Magnani
47 Reggae's Peter
49 Offer an apple?
52 Pinnacle
54 Dawns, to Donne
56 Coarse flour
58 "— on My Pillow" ('58 song)
60 Stiller's partner
62 Tread the boards
63 Man from Munich
65 Ponderosa, for one
68 Mrs. Zeus
71 Mineral suffix
72 Sgt., e.g.
73 Gamble
75 Extremely encouraging individual?
79 Kitten's comment
80 Sharpton and Yankovic
81 Hockey great
82 A sweeping success?
83 Calliope's sister
85 '66 Tommy Roe tune
88 Merino male
90 Shiva worshiper
93 Throw forcefully
94 "The Ramayana" heroine
97 Actress Samantha
100 Jury member
101 Economize
103 Calligraphy supply
105 Land in the sea
106 Longing
107 Jets, Mets, or Nets
109 Release
111 Hideaway
114 Dishonest anchorman?
118 New Jersey's Pine —
121 Port: abbr.
122 Director Lupino
123 "Dies —"
125 Be of use
127 Bring to light
130 Corrupt college official?
135 Acid's opposite
136 Bronte heroine
137 Ice-cream thickener
138 Writer Hunter
139 June birthstone
140 Paper quantity
141 Stink
142 Prior to, to Prior

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1 BB-gun sound
2 "That's —" ('53 tune)
3 Paint ingredient
4 Lots of laughs
5 Part of NATO
6 Hayes of westerns
7 Crafter's need
8 Publisher Cerf
9 Ginger —
10 Security grp.
11 Couldn't stand
12 Canonized Mlle.
13 King's "Salem's —"
14 Motionless
15 "— Man" ('78 song)
16 Singer John
18 Farm sight
21 Directionless
23 Native Peruvian
24 Yarn
29 Singer Chris
32 Soho streetcar
33 Carson's successor
35 Particle
36 AMEX rival
37 Scacchi of "The Player"
38 Seascape painter
40 Cisco's chum
42 Pin
43 The — Capades
44 Einstein's chair?
46 New Deal agcy.
48 Convent wear
50 Dentist's fee?
51 Vestige
53 Geologic division
55 Cook veggies
57 Make chair legs
59 Chilly powder?
61 Social worker?
64 Swerve
66 Word with pork or karate
67 Toast start
69 Dietary abbr.
70 TV's "Hearts —"
73 Big party
74 Cary of "The Princess Bride"
76 Bit of a beach?
77 Leisurely, to Leoncavallo
78 Team scream
84 Palm oil?
86 Lloyd Webber musical
87 Principle
89 Booker T.'s group
91 Billy — Williams
92 Fancy planter
95 Slope
96 Cain's victim
98 — breve
99 Bring up
102 Gauguin setting
104 Feminist Gloria
108 Pie ingredient?
110 Greek sandwich
112 Neighbor of Turkey
113 Variety show
114 Tight
115 Actress Berry
116 Slezak or Alexander
117 Consumer advocate Ralph
118 Stocking shade
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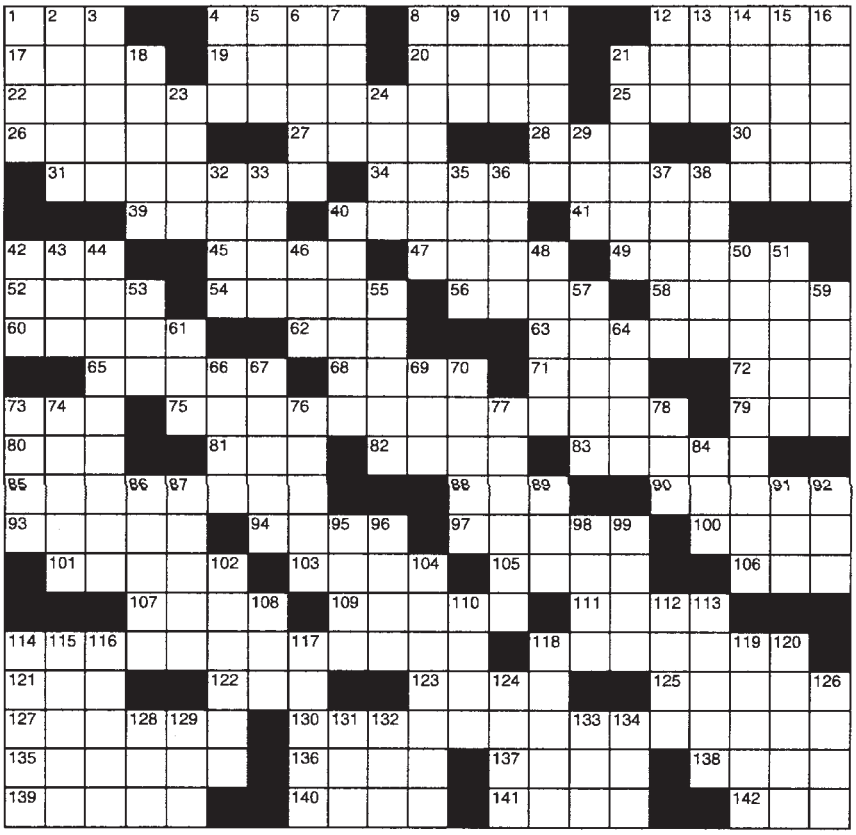

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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Technology snafus tax your patience. But before you throw that computer or other bulky hardware into the trash, take a deep breath and call someone knowledgeable for help.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Don't be too upset if your generosity goes unappreciated. These things happen, and rather than brood over it, move on. A new friend could open up some exciting new possibilities.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A loved one helps you get through an especially difficult emotional situation. Spend the weekend immersed in the body and soul restorative powers of music and the other arts.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You are pretty much in charge of what you want to do this week. However, it might be a good idea to keep an open mind regarding suggestions from people you know you can trust.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Another chance to shine (something always dear to the Lion's heart) might be resented by others. But you earned it, so enjoy it. The weekend brings news about a family member.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A suggestion that never took off could become viable again. Dust it off, update it if necessary, and resubmit it. In your personal life, a new relationship takes an "interesting" turn.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Confronting a new challenge to your stated position could work to your advantage by settling all doubts once you're able to present a solid defense backed up by equally solid facts.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You enjoy doing nice things for others. But this is a good time to do something nice for yourself as well. You might want to start by planning a super-special getaway weekend.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Some changes you feel you need to make might be reasonable and appropriate. But others might lead to new problems. Think things through carefully before you act.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Good instincts usually keep the sure-footed Goat on the right path. So, what others might see as stubbornness on your part, in fact reflects your good sense of what is worth supporting.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A period of introspection could lead to some surprising conclusions — and also equally surprising changes — involving a number of your long-held positions on several issues.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) The financially practical Pisces might want to take a sensible approach to spending as well as investing. Being prudent now pays off later. A romantic situation moves into another phase.

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LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
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The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, August 23, 2004 at 8:50 PM in the Town Hall on Notice of Intent submitted by Wetlands Consulting, Inc.
The proposed project is to construct a 16' x 16' addition on a single family dwelling, within a buffer zone.The project is located at 8 Linhares Avenue and is further identified as Lot 173 on Assessor Map 9.
Conservation Commission 08/05

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF MARION
PLANNING BOARD
The Marion Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, September 7, 2004 at 8:00 PM in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House to consider the Application of Plymouth Savings Bank for (1) a Special Permit under By-law Section 4.2.G to allow a drive-thru window, (2) a Special Permit under By-law Section 5.1 footnote 12 to allow the building to be closer to the street than the required front setback, and (3) a Special Permit under By-law Section 6.5.1 to allow a reduction of parking requirement. Property is located at 340 Front Street and is identified on Marion Assessor's Map 13, Lot 22P.
John Rockwell, Chairman 08/05, 08/12

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
PLANNING BOARD
The Mattapoisett Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Monday, August 15, 2004 at 7:45 PM in the Town Hall concerning the revised site application of Brownell Systems, Inc. regarding the proposed site improvements located at 7 Industrial Drive, Mattapoisett, MA and shown as Lot #16 on Assessors Map 26. Complete plans for the project are on file at the office of the Town Clerk and may be reviewed by any interested party during normal business hours of the Clerk's office.
Clerk, Planning Board 08/05, 08/09

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF MARION
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, August 18, 2004 at 7:10 PM in the Town House main conference room on a Notice of Intent submitted by ALEX N. & ELIZABETH MARSDEN to construct a single-family dwelling with an attached garage, a septic system, a swimming pool, stone retaining walls, and filling and grading at Lot 36 (Subdivision Lot 3) Deer Run as shown on Marion Assessors' Map 5. Plans are available at the Town House for review.
Jeffrey W. Oakes, Chairman 08/05

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LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF MARION
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, August 18, 2004 at 7:20 PM in the Town House main conference room on a Request for a Determination of Applicability #41D-1198 submitted by THE TOWN OF MARION, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, to upgrade the following sewerage pumping stations to bring them into compliance with applicable codes: (1) Front Street at Tabor Academy (Map 14, Lot 8); (2) Creek Road (Map 8, Lot 20); (3) Silvershell at the intersection of Front and Lewis Streets (Map 16, Lots 8 and 9); and (4) Point Road near Bullivant Farm Road (Map 11, Lot 128A). Plans are available at the Town House for review.
Jeffrey W. Oakes, Chairman 08/05

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF ROCHESTER
SOIL BOARD
Notice is given for a public hearing relative to a Plan for squaring off bogs and creating a Tailwater Recovery pond depicted on a Plan of Land in Rochester, Ma prepared for Gilmore Cranberry Co. dated June 14, 2004 by Vautrinot Land Surveying, Inc. The bogs are on Snows Pond Road, Map 40, lot 10. The Soil Board will hold said public hearing on August 19, 2004 at 7:15pm in the Selectmen's Office of Town Hall.
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Outhouse Competition

The Rochester Country Fair will be holding their Third Annual Outhouse Building Competition, back by popular demand. It will be held on Saturday, August 21 at the Country Fair, Plumb Corner Mall in Rochester. Outhouses must be stable and securely placed on the fairgrounds prior to 10:00 am on Saturday, August 21 for consideration. Be creative and innovative and join in the

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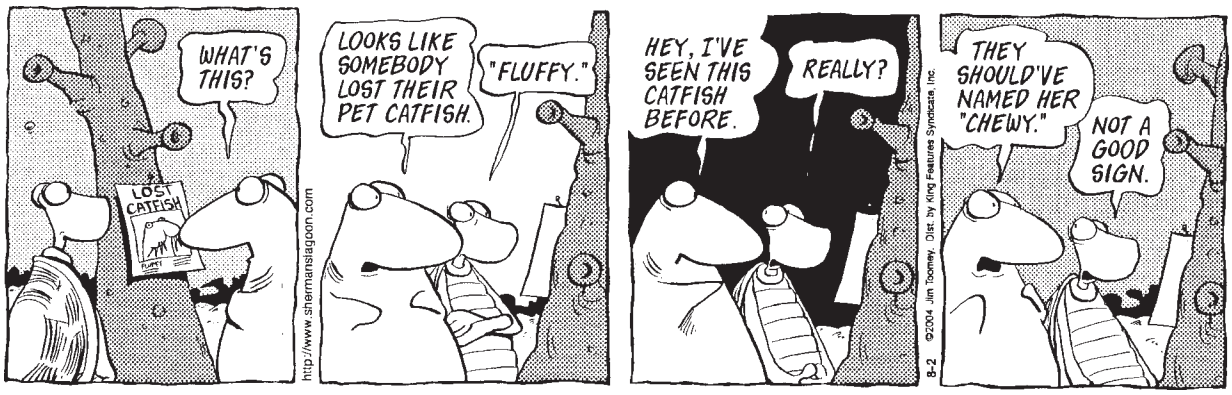

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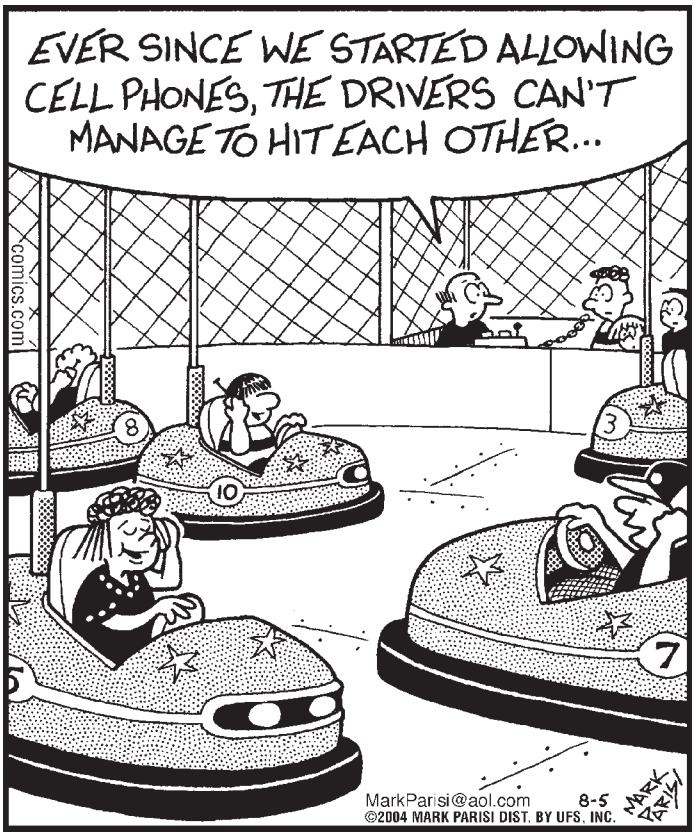

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Date	Day	High a.m.	High p.m.	Low a.m.	Low p.m.
August 5:	Thurs.	12:00	12:24	5:26	6:02
August 6:	Fri.	12:48	1:14	6:02	6:57
August 7:	Sat.	1:37	2:03	6:43	8:13
August 8:	Sun.	2:27	2:55	7:31	9:44
August 9:	Mon.	3:21	3:52	8:28	10:43
August 10:	Tues.	4:19	4:54	9:29	11:30
August 11:	Wed.	5:19	5:53	10:28	. . .
August 12:	Thurs.	6:14	6:41	12:09	12:01
August 13:	Fri.	7:00	7:21	12:51	12:11
August 14:	Sat.	7:42	7:57	1:30	12:59
August 15:	Sun.	8:20	8:32	2:07	1:44
August 16:	Mon.	8:58	9:08	2:42	2:28
August 17:	Tues.	9:36	9:46	3:14	3:10
August 18:	Wed.	10:15	10:27	3:43	3:50
August 19:	Thurs.	10:56	11:11	4:12	4:30
August 20:	Fri.	11:41	11:58	4:43	5:12
August 21:	Sat.	. . .	12:29	5:19	6:00
August 22:	Sun.	12:49	1:21	6:02	6:59

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